MIDNIGHT DISPATCHES

From New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, May 31. - Cotton easier, sales to-day 900 bales at 35@37c receipts 199 bales; flour, superfine \$9 50; corn, mixed 85@871c; oats 53@ 55e; hay 22e; pork \$34; gold 394; sterling 53; freights to New York 1@9-16.

Morrison's drug store, on Magazine street, was burned to-day; loss \$80,000. The adjoining store was badly injured. The weather continues bad.

The Vera Cruz steamship leaves or the 7th of June. The flags in the shipping are at half

mast to-day, in respect to the memory of

In the Supreme Court, the argument in the case of the Star Steamship Company vs. the city is concluded.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, May 31.-It is said that the report of the Secretary of the Treasury will show that the total sales of gold since the 1st are nearly \$30,000,000. at 30t, and that no gold was sold in March or April for less than 27.

Among the recent pardons granted is that of W. L. Simpson, a Confederate Congressman from South Carolina.

The following confirmations have been made by the Senate: James Wilson, of Indiana, as Minister to Venezuela; Wm. Faxon, of Connecticut, and Captain G. V. Fox, as Assistant Secretaries of the Navy; and James Ready, of New Orleans, as Assistant Assessor of Internal Revenue.

It is untrue, as published, that the President does not object to the reconstruction amendment now pending in the Senate. He advocates his own programme of reconstruction.

The Secretary of War sent to the House to-day, in compliance with a resolution, Gen. Whittlesey's reply to Fullerton and Stedman's report to the Freedmen's Bureau. Whittlesey says that their report is unfair and unjust, and denies that they made a thorough investigation or represented the good it had done.

In the Senate, Wilson, from the Committee of the two Houses, reported a joint resolution of respect and veneration; and out of respect for the memory of Gen-Scott, that the two houses, when they adjoured to-day, should adjourn to meet on Monday, and that a committee of seven Senators and nine Representatives, be appointed to represent Congress at the funeral to-morrow. The resolution was unanimously adopted by the House

The third section of the Reconstruction resolution was passed as originally reported from the Senatorial caucus. Several amendments were reported by Mr. Doolittle, but each was rejected by a vote highest price ever paid anywhere. The of 32 to 10, which was the vote on the

ton to the Northwest, and also one to \$2 22. build a railroad from Pittsburg to Cleveland, was passed.

During the consideration of the Recon struction resolution in the Senate to-day, Doolittle objected to the proposed third section, punishing alike those who volunteered in the Confederate service and those who were forced into the measure. as unjust and ought not to be, and would not be ratified by the Southern States as it was. It was probable that the resolution would pass, he said, as had been agreed on in the caucus, but the Senators should pause before involving the inno cent with the guilty. It also annulled all pardons and amnesties of the President, whose pardons restored to the beneficiaries their fall rights and privileges.

Mr. Johnson said that the Supreme Court had substantially so directed.

Mr. Sumner said that the object of the section was not a punishment for past offenses, but a preventative for future ones, and those who rebelled once would do so again without prosecution to preyent them.

Mr. Doolittle said that if the Representatives from the South had been permitted to take their seats our lands would be ten per cent higher, and, moreover, Maximilian would have been out of Mexico, and he therefore moved that the sec tion should only apply to those who voluntarily engaged in the insurrection.

Mr. Wiley said the adoption of Mr. Doplittle's amendment would emasculate the section, and if it was adopted it would be impossible to find a man is the South who had gone voluntarily into the

rebellion Mr. Saulsbury said he thought it a monstrous injustice that they should be punished who had been forced into the commission of crime. He said he would speak hereafter at length on the subject, and proposed to show that whenever a government de facto was set up, though it may be de jure, every one holding obedience to the former is excused, cannot be punished, and no man could be convicted of treason for holding obedi-

ence to his State after it seceded. Mr. Doolittle's amendment was re

jected; yeas 10, nays 32.

Mr. Doolittle also moved, as an smendment, the insertion after the words "enemies thereof," "excepting Where they will receive our prompt persons those who have received pardon and ampesty under the laws," which was

also rejected.

The section as originally reported from the caucus was then adopted; yeas 32, nays 10. The latter were Messra. Buckland, Corwin, Davis, Doolittle, Guthrie, Hendricks, Johnson, Norton, Riddle and Saulsbury.

Mr. Chandler introduced a bill, amendatory to the currency act, which propo ses to issue an additional \$100,000,000 of notes, at a rate not to exceed \$5,000,000 per month, for six months after the passage of the act, and not over \$2,000,000 per month thereafter; it also allows the State banks in good standing to become National Banks, and the entire amount given is not to exceed \$50,000. It also amends the old act requiring the banks of New York, Philadelphia and Boston to keep on hand one-fourth of the aggregate amount in circulation and in deposits, and strikes out the exemption of the CHATTANOOGA.

banks from State tax. The Senate then adjourned until Mon

In the House, Mr. Stevens' bill for the construction of a railway from Washington to the Northwest was passed by a vote of 65 yeas against 37 nays.

The Senate's amendment to the bill to facilitate commercial, postal and military communication with the several States, was also passed.

From New York.

NEW YORK, May 31.-The Sweeney wing of the Fenian army appears to have taken the field, as the Fenians, by train loads, have been arriving at Cleveland, Buffalo and other cities along the border confronting Canada, and the movement, has assumed a threatening attitude. The British Consular Agent at Buffalo telegraphed yesterday to the manager of the Great Western railway, requesting him to stop all trains going from the Suspension Bridge. He also telegraphed to the military authorities at Toronto.

The Canadian volunteers, it is ex pected, will be again called to arms.

The Custom House, Produce and Stock Exchange will be closed to morrow, or account of the funeral of Gen. Scott, and little business will be done.

Cotton, dull-sales, 1000 bales; flour, declined 5@10c - sales, 20,000 bbls wheat and corn are declining-sales, 2207 bushels; corn, 3@4c lower; sugar, steady;

From Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, May 31.-Flour unchanged and dull-superfine, \$9 25@9 50; wheat, dull; oats, 56c; corn, 63@73c; whiskey, \$2 25; provisions, quiet; lard, 22c; gro ceries, steady.

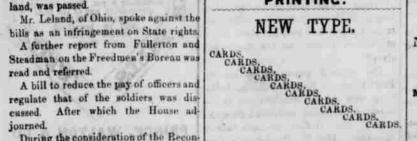
From Clarksville

CLARKSVILLE, May 31. - At the grand tournament in favor of the widows and orphans of the Confederate dead, held to-day, the receipts were upwards of \$30,000, and the affair was a great suc-

From Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, May 31 .- At the national tobacco fair to-day, 450 pounds of Hest county tobacco, which took the first premium, sold at \$5 50 per pound-the second premium of Virginia leaf sold at \$1 80 per pound. Flour, superfine \$8 In the House, Mr. Stevens' bill con- corn 70c; oats 56c; pork \$31 50; bacon, structing a railroad line from Washing- shoulders 14c, clear sides 19te; whiskey

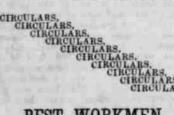
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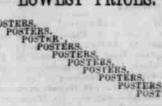
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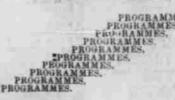
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